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## Remarks

Reconsideration and allowance of the above referenced application are respectfully requested.

Non elected claims 38-41 and 42-47 are cancelled herein.

New claims 55-59 are added to replace cancelled claims 38-41.

Applicant apologizes for the confusion introduced by the claims in the previous amendment. The meaning of the previous claims were intended to denote that a barcode was obtained, and its "meaning", that is the sum of the information that the barcode represented, was not available locally. The undersigned agrees that the barcode itself must be decoded (e.g., to obtain the pointer).

The claims are amended herewith to clarify that ambiguity, and to include the concept of "meaning" into claims 18 and 19. While the word "meaning" was not used in the specification, the concept was described on pages 7 and 8 of the original specification, which described (e.g., see paragraph 38) that the information can represent a pointer to a database which provides more detailed information that is in the memory of the server, and returned as 455 (see paragraph 40).

Applicants respectfully suggest that this subject matter is not disclosed or suggested by the cited prior art.

Claim 48 is also amended to include more specifically the pointer to the database.

The nonelected claims are also canceled.

None of the cited prior art discloses or suggests this subject matter. In addition, the subject matter of claims 49-51 is not disclosed or suggested by anything in the cited prior

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art.

It is believed that all of the pending claims have been addressed in this paper. However, failure to address a specific rejection, issue or comment, does not signify agreement with or concession of that rejection, issue or comment. In addition, because the arguments made above are not intended to be exhaustive, there may be reasons for patentability of any or all pending claims (or other claims) that have not been expressed. Finally, nothing in this paper should be construed as an intent to concede any issue with regard to any claim, except as specifically stated in this paper, and the amendment of any claim does not necessarily signify concession of unpatentability of the claim prior to its amendment.

If the Examiner believes that communications such as a telephone interview or email would facilitate disposal of this case, the undersigned respectfully encourages the Examiner to contact the undersigned.

Recognizing that Internet communications are not secure, I hereby authorize the USPTO to communicate with me concerning any subject matter of this application by electronic mail (using the email address [scott@harrises.com](mailto:scott@harrises.com)). I understand that a copy of these communications will be made of record in the application file.

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